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APPLICANT REVIEW PANEL

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

August 6, 2010

Mr. Ahmadi served as Chair and called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Ahmadi moved to adopt, as written, the minutes of the July 19, 2010, panel meeting. Ms. Camacho seconded. There being no public comment or opposition, the motion passed.

Mr. Ahmadi announced that due to the number of interviews and the limited amount of time available, it is imperative that the panel stay on schedule. He stated that public comment would be accepted on the first four agenda items and on item five after the panel concluded all interviews. Mr. Ahmadi explained the interview process, including what would take place during check-in before going on the record. Additionally, Mr. Ahmadi requested that counsel serve as the facilitator for the meetings so that he could direct his total attention to the applicants. Other panelists, and counsel, agreed that counsel would facilitate the interview phase of the meeting. The panel also agreed that, for the sake of consistency, the individual panelists would question each applicant in alphabetical order (Mr. Ahmadi, Ms. Camacho and Ms. Spano). Mr. Ahmadi announced that three lap top computers were available for use at the back of the room, and that all handouts were also located there.

Bureau of State Audits' Chief of Investigations Steven B. Russo, reported that since the panel identified the 120 applicants to be interviewed, bureau staff has been reviewing the applications and responding to the panel's questions about applicants, as well as investigating the information in the application to try to provide information that may be helpful to the Panel in evaluating applicants and formulating questions for them. During the course of the investigations, after conferring with the applicants to provide them an opportunity to respond before any information is provided to the panel, the bureau submits written reports to the panel and posts them on the Internet. Mr. Russo further added that the bureau sent an e-mail to all 120 applicants asking that each double check their application for accuracy and file an amendment to correct any errors or omissions, if necessary.

Mr. Ahmadi requested public comment and received none.

Panel counsel reported that each applicant was informed via electronic mail of the interview schedule and what to expect during the interview. Additionally, counsel reported that as the bureau receives public written comments, staff would distribute them to the panelists and make them available to the public.

Panel counsel then took over the role of facilitator of the interview portion of the meeting. The panel stood at ease until the first applicant was ready to begin his interview. The panel conducted no more than five interviews a day, with each interview lasting no more than 90 minutes in length. The following candidates were interviewed at the following dates and times:

Friday, August 6, 2010:

9:18AM	Alan "Skip" Jorgensen
11:00AM	Daniel Everett Walker
1:00PM	Peggy Huang
2:45PM	John C. Gamboa

Meeting recessed at 3:50 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Monday, August 9, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Monday, August 9, 2010:

9:15AM	Stephen P. Allen
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Panel counsel announced, prior to the beginning of the 11:00 a.m. interview, that Applicant Edward N. Duran, scheduled for interview on Tuesday, August 10 at 11:00 a.m. had requested to withdraw from the applicant pool.

11:00AM	Melissa R. Michelson
1:01PM	Daniel Martin Seagondollar
2:45PM	Charles S. Afflerbach
4:30PM	James E. Aldredge

Meeting recessed at 5:55 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 9:16 a.m.

Tuesday, August 10, 2010:

9:17AM Vincent P. Barabba

Panel counsel announced, prior to the beginning of the 1:00 p.m. interview, that Applicant Maria Blanco, scheduled for interview on Wednesday, August 11 at 1:00 p.m., was ill and unable to attend the interview. Counsel reported that every effort would be made to reschedule Ms. Blanco sometime in September.

1:00PM James Zambrano Vidal

2:45PM Gregory Beyrer

Meeting recessed at 4:02 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Wednesday, August 11, 2010 at 9:16 a.m.

Wednesday, August 11, 2010:

9:16AM Lillian Judd

11:00AM William Giles Hamm

2:45PM Xandra R. Kayden

Panel counsel announced, prior to the beginning of the 4:30 p.m. interview, that Applicant Janith Arga Norman, scheduled for interview on Wednesday, September 1 at 1:00 p.m. had requested to withdraw from the applicant pool.

4:30PM Orrin Douglas Banta

Meeting recessed at 5:56 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Thursday, August 12, 2010:

9:15AM	Manuela Albuquerque
11:00AM	Richard Thompson Ford
1:00PM	Carl J. Luna
2:45PM	Leland T. Saito
4:30PM	Ann Marie (Amber) Machamer

Meeting recessed at 5:48 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Friday, August 13, 2010 at 9:18 a.m.

Friday, August 13, 2010:

9:18AM	Tangerine Mignon Brigham
11:00AM	Matthew M. Lorono
1:01PM	Donna Day Beers
2:45PM	Jacquelyn Estrada
4:30PM	John Vincent Saavedra

Panel counsel announced that she would be out of the office during the week of August 16, 2010, and that Bureau of State Audits Associate Chief Counsel, Donna Neville, would provide legal counsel to the panel during her absence. Meeting recessed at 5:40 p.m.

Ms. Neville reconvened the meeting on Monday, August 16, 2010 at 9:18 a.m.

Monday, August 16, 2010:

9:18AM	Charles C. Turner
11:00AM	Jerry S. Turem
1:00PM	Christine Ann Allcorn
2:45PM	Davin William McAndrews
4:30PM	Paul L. McKaskle

Meeting recessed at 5:58 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Tuesday, August 17, 2010 at 9:18 a.m.

Tuesday, August 17, 2010:

9:18AM	Roy Arthur Salume
11:00AM	Julian Ming Leichty
1:00PM	Beverly Mae Finley
2:45PM	Wesley A. Hussey
4:30PM	Patrick D. Jefferson

Meeting recessed at 5:54 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Wednesday, August 18, 2010:

9:15AM	Edward J. Scheidegger
11:00AM	Samuel Torres
1:00PM	Lilbert "Gil" R. Ontai
2:45PM	Robert T. Gonzales
4:30PM	Charles E. Starr

Meeting recessed at 5:45 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, August 19, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Thursday, August 19, 2010:

9:15AM	Jeffrey Kwong
11:00AM	Henry J. Norton
1:00PM	Martha Inez Jimenez

2:45PM

Vylma L. Ortiz

4:30PM

LaDrena D. Dansby

Meeting recessed at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Friday, August 20, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Friday, August 20, 2010:

9:15AM

D. J. (Donna Jo) Soviero

11:00AM

Maria E. Harris

1:00PM

Jodie P. Filkins Webber

2:45PM

Mary Wong Werthman

4:30PM

Jeanne E. Raya

Meeting recessed at 5:42 p.m.

Panel counsel returned and reconvened on Monday, August 23, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Monday, August 23, 2010:

9:15AM

Tom M. Rivera

11:00AM

Larry L. Kerr

1:00PM

Michael D. Briggs

2:45PM

Gabino T. Aguirre

4:31PM

Patrick Paul Nunes

Meeting recessed at 5:49 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Tuesday, August 24, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Tuesday, August 24, 2010:

9:15AM	Kathryn S. Black
11:00AM	Velveth G. Schmitz
1:01PM	Peter Sunway Yao
2:45PM	Cecilia White
4:30PM	Thais Armenta

Meeting recessed at 5:53 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Wednesday, August 25, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Wednesday, August 25, 2010:

9:15AM	David K. Ikari
11:00AM	Ira S. Lowry
1:00PM	Elaine W. Kuo
2:45PM	Janet Heinritz-Canterbury
4:30PM	Susan Burgess Miller

Meeting recessed at 5:52 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, August 26, 2010 at 9:15 a.m.

Thursday, August 26, 2010:

9:15AM	Gregory Kent Freeland
11:00AM	Victoria Elena Aguayo Schupbach
1:00PM	Gene F. Lee
2:45PM	Daniel R. Montello
4:30PM	Maria M. Stewart

Meeting recessed at 5:36 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Friday, August 27, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Friday, August 27, 2010:

9:15AM	Stanley R. Forbes
11:00AM	Sherman Gee
1:00PM	Angelo N. Ancheta
2:45PM	Connie Galambos Malloy

At 4:43, after staff conferred with Applicant Gregory Francis, who was scheduled for an interview at 4:30, panel counsel announced that Mr. Francis was delayed by traffic and would not be able to attend his scheduled interview. The panel agreed with counsel's recommendation that, if Mr. Francis requested to be rescheduled and submitted facts substantiating that he missed his interview due to circumstances out of his control, staff would reschedule his interview for a later date. Meeting recessed at 4:44 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Monday, August 30, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Monday, August 30, 2010:

9:15AM	Patrick Ricardo Perez
11:00AM	Suzanne P. Levy
1:13PM	Evelyn Gadia Zneimer

Panel counsel announced prior to the beginning of 2:45 p.m. interview that Applicant Conny McCormack, scheduled for interview at 4:30 p.m. this date has requested to withdraw from the applicant pool.

2:45PM	Michael David Gabriel
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Meeting recessed at 4:13 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Tuesday, August 31, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Tuesday, August 31, 2010:

Panel counsel announced prior to the beginning of the 9:15 a.m. interview that Applicant Nancy Lyons, scheduled for interview on Friday, September 3, at 11:00 a.m. has requested to withdraw from the applicant pool.

9:15AM Gracie R. Madrid

11:00AM Stuart Milton Flashman

Panel counsel further announced that, due to an appointment, she would be unable to attend the interview of the day and that Bureau of State Audits Chief of Investigations Steven B. Russo would serve as legal counsel to the panel in her absence.

1:00PM Leilani A. Kimmel-Dagostino

2:45PM Evelyn M. Volpa

4:30PM Gabriel Amaro Morales

Meeting recessed at 6:01 p.m.

Panel Counsel reconvened the meeting on Wednesday, September 1, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Wednesday, September 1, 2010:

9:15AM Kimberley A. Wormley

11:00AM Brightstar Ohlson

Panel counsel announced, prior to the beginning of the 2:45 p.m. interview, that Applicant Christine Hernland, scheduled for interview at 4:30 p.m. this date, requested to postpone the interview due to a family emergency that was beyond her control.

2:45PM Ryan E. Stuck

Meeting recessed at 4:12 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, September 2, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Thursday, September 2, 2010:

9:15AM John T. MonPere

11:00AM Kathleen L. Beasley

1:00PM	Melissa M. Bottrell
2:45PM	Christine (Chris) Shipman
4:30PM	Tamina Ramos Alon

Meeting recessed at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Friday, September 3, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Friday, September 3, 2010: Panel counsel announced that, due to an appointment, she would be unable to attend the last three interviews of the day and that Bureau of State Audits Chief of Investigations Steven B. Russo would serve as legal counsel to the panel in her absence.

9:15AM	Martin Lax
11:00AM	Gregory Francis
1:00PM	Cynthia M. Dai
2:45PM	Josefa Salinas
4:30PM	Robert M. Panerio

Meeting recessed at 5:59 p.m.

Panel counsel reconvened the meeting reconvened on Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Tuesday, September 7, 2010:

9:20AM	Kathryn J. Tobias
11:00AM	Daniel J. Levin
1:00PM	Teresa M. Espana
2:45PM	Michael Ward
4:30PM	Vito D. Imbasciani

Meeting recessed at 5:44 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Wednesday, September 8, 2010:

9:15AM	Kerry R. Koths
11:00AM	Michelle R. DiGuilio-Matz
1:01PM	Gina Marie Simas
2:45PM	Fay Mason
4:30PM	Byrd A. Lochtie

Mr. Ahmadi announced, prior to recess, that he may be late on Thursday morning and, if he is, he will have his assistant cover for him.

Meeting recessed at 5:46 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Thursday, September 9, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Thursday, September 9, 2010:

9:15AM	Ronald J. Wilczynski
11:00AM	Bev Perry
1:01PM	Robert M .Silva
2:45PM	Sandor Xavier Mayuga
4:30PM	M. Andre Parvenu

Meeting recessed at 5:59 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Friday, September 10, 2010 at 9:14 a.m.

Friday, September 10, 2010:

9:15AM	Melissa M. Brown
11:00AM	Maria Blanco
1:00PM	Christine T. Hernlund

Panel counsel asked Mr. Ahmadi whether he wished to resume the chairmanship. Mr. Ahmadi indicated that he preferred that counsel continue to facilitate the meeting so that he could devote his full attention to comments received by the public and asked Ms. Camacho and Ms. Spano if they would agree to permit counsel to continue to facilitate the meeting. Ms. Spano and Ms. Camacho agreed and Ms. Camacho suggested that, since he did not perform the duties of the chairperson during this meeting, Mr. Ahmadi should consider remaining the chair for the panel's next meeting. Mr. Ahmadi thanked Ms. Camacho and agreed to do so.

Meeting recessed at 2:19 p.m. for short break and to modify room set-up to allow for public comment.

Meeting was reconvened at 2:44 p.m. Panel counsel thanked all of the applicants for their time, efforts and devotion. Counsel announced that the panel would accept public comment on agenda item five on the afternoon of September 10th and again on the morning of September 13th before moving to agenda items 6 and 7. Panel counsel further noted that written comments will also be accepted and requested public comments. Two members of the public provided comments. Meeting recessed at 3:02 p.m.

The meeting reconvened on Monday, September 13, 2010 at 9:30 a.m. Panel counsel requested public comment on agenda item five, but no members of the public were present. The panel stood at ease for five minutes to allow time for late arriving members of the public. The meeting reconvened at 9:35 a.m. No public comment was received. The panel took up agenda item six and had a lengthy discussion on the qualities each of them would like to see in the final 60 applicants. Panel counsel requested public comment on agenda items six and seven, but received none. There being no further business before the panel, meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

For full transcripts of this meeting, please refer to the website:

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